



SLO Connections





Kelly Snyder (left) STEP Student and assistant to WPAFB School Liaison Officer Andrea Attaway-Young, talk with Lt Col Todd Hale Program Manager for Air Force Research Laboratory about educational options/opportunities for military children during the information session at recent 88th ABW Newcomer's Orientation event.

Looking For Information On Schools
Surrounding WPAFB?
Please Visit
Military HOMEFRONT Website
http://www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil/

Wright-Patt Showcases Resources for Families With Special Needs

Understanding and supporting military families with special needs is a high priority for base senior leaders and organizations providing services and resources designed to enhance quality of life.

As Team Wright-Patt continues to celebrate Year of the Air Force Family, staff from Wright-Patterson's Airman and Family Readiness Center and the base Medical Center are teaming up to determine how to better assist families with special educational and medical needs.

On 30 Jul, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Airman and Family Readiness Center will host an Informational Fair and picnic to celebrate base families with special needs. This event, being held at the Community and Family Center, Bldg 230, Area C, will showcase services and resources provided by base organizations, as well as regional helping agencies that offer human service programs available to military families. First Sergeants and the Chiefs Group will serve food and beverages, and other recreational activities are planned. According to Dave Bourgeois, Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) manager within the Airman and Family Readiness Center, Wright-Patterson has the fourth largest EFMP in the Air Force. "With this installation serving as a humanitarian base for this region, we're managing a program currently providing assistance to more than 360 families with special needs," he stated.

The Exceptional Family Member Program, offered by all branches of the military, provides support to active duty military families through a variety of personnel, medical and family support functions managed by Airmen and Family Readiness Centers. Once enrolled in EFMP, Air Force families receive special assignment consideration under the Special Needs Identification Assignment Coordination process (SNIAC), to ensure that medical and education needs are met. These functions, working together with the Assignments branch at the Air Force Personnel Center, provide comprehensive medical, education and community support, housing and personnel services to families with special needs.

School Liaison Officer Website

www.wpafb.af.mil/units/ids/index.asp



School Liaison Officer

SAVE THE DATE! 4th Annual Regional **Educational Fair!**

The Regional Education Fair is a great opportunity for your school to reach the WPAFB community of active duty personnel

July 14th

Jarvis Gym, Kittyhawk Area 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Greg Poe

"Elevate Your Life" Scholarship Opportunity For 6-8 graders

Deadline July 2nd

For More Information Please visit

www.daytonairshow.com

"Special Needs" Continue

Bourgeois said that the AFRC and Medical Group here have formed a working group to help cultivate partnerships with community organizations that address special needs issues and concerns. Members of the working group also are developing an EFMP orientation course and resource library to foster more awareness about assistance and resources available to members enrolled in the EFMP program.

In addition to programs/resources offered through AFRC and Medical Center, Wright-Patterson also sponsors four youth programs serving 150 special needs children. More information about these programs can be obtained by calling the base Youth Centers at (937) 255-5053.

Several web sites addressing special needs issues can be viewed at the links provided below:

http://www.operationautismonline.org/

http://www.afcrossroads.com/education/k12_special.cfm

For more information about Wright-Patterson's EFMP, SNIAC or the 30 Jul Special Needs Information Fair and Picnic, persons can contact Dave Bourgeois at (937) 257-7804.

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Green County Educational Center

Director of Special Educational Services Mary Lou Schafer 937-767-1303 ext. 116 360 East Enon Rd. Dayton, OH 45387

Special Needs Resources

Exceptional Family Member Program

Mandatory enrollment program, administered by the AF Personnel Center that works with the medical community and key community agencies to identify Active Duty sponsors who have family members as they move around the world with their Active Duty sponsors.

Montgomery Educational Service Center

Director of Student Programs Janice Ballbach 937-225-4598 200 South Keowee Street Dayton, OH 45387

Stay Tuned!.....Pre-Deployment/Educational Fair!August 14th!



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